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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: ____.

Claim(s) discussed: all.

Identification of prior art discussed: Rose et al. and Hanamura et al..

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: For "means plus function" and "method" claims, the applied references do not disclose the claimed limitations because of 112, 6th paragraph. The proposed amendment by adding "an interface configured to receive an input selecting whether the information processing apparatus..." to the claims, claimed invention would overcome the applied references. It appears that the references do not disclose claimed limitations of claim 39.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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